

**Missouri Educators of Family and Consumer Sciences
Spring Board Meeting
Friday, February 28th, 2003
Columbia Country Club
Columbia, Missouri**

President Linda Turner called the MoEFACS Spring Board Meeting to order. DESE staff members Debbie Pohl, Christine Hollingsworth and Janey Miller were introduced. Guests were introduced Amy Koester, student teacher from SMS and Cherie Matteson, student teacher from Fontbonne and Mary Wills guest of Mary Beene.

Suzie Dudenhoeffer presented the secretary's report. Corrections were made then the Minutes were submitted for filing. Kelly Ritter moved to accept the minutes; Charlotte Gray seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Jayla Smith presented the Treasurer's report. We have not received as many dues payments as normal for this time of year. We are still working toward Tax-exempt status. Currently we are working on Incorporation for the organization. The administration fee of \$5.00 and the proposed dues to take effect in 2004-2005 increase will help bring our income up to meet the expenses of the Summer conference.

Jayla Smith submitted the treasurer's report for filing. Betty White moved to accept the treasurer's report. Kelley Ritter seconded the motion. The motion passed.

President Linda Turner presented the President's Report. 20 Missouri members went to the ACTE conference in Las Vegas, December 2002. Mrs. Turner recognized Jeanne Jones, Deb Schumacher and Suzie Dudenhoeffer for helping with the National Showcase presentation at the ACTE conference.

President Turner asked that some of the ACTE conference delegates report on the meeting. Betty White reported that there would be many changes for next year in Orlando. The main change coming from the call for proposals that closed on Feb 7th. This year all presentations will come from the call for presentations.

Marcia Northrup reported that the National Showcase was wonderful. She also mentioned that Karen Mason is running for national office and that all members should turn in their ballots by tomorrow (March 1st).

Ronna Ford, President-Elect encouraged all members to attend the conference. The conference is filled with excellent speakers and exciting programs.

Charlotte Gray, secretary for NATFACS, encouraged all members to get involved on the national level. She also told the board about new opportunities for fund raising using the cookbooks, "It's about Time," (3500). NATFACS is working on a PR program for the cookbooks with Great American Opportunities. The money collected from the cookbooks will go to the NATFACS scholarship.

President Linda Turner asked that the Missouri ACTE committee members report on the work that their committees have been doing since November.

Joy Behrens, Professional Development, attended the Legislative Day and met with legislators about funding for education. She encouraged that all members continue to use email to contact legislators and then to let her know when contacts have been made on behalf of FACS education so that she could keep accurate records.

Karen Mason, Policy Committee, stated that Missouri ACTE is considering meeting only 2 times instead of 3 because of the cost. The winter board meeting could be combined with the spring board meeting to save the membership money

Charlotte Gray, Awards Committee, reminded us that all award forms must be postmarked by April 1st. In order to be considered for an award at state level you must be eligible to move on to be considered at the national level, which means you must be affiliated with the national organization.

Ronna Ford, MoEFACS President-Elect, reported that the summer conference keynote for Missouri ACTE will be Rev. Cleaver. Parking will be an issue for this next year due to the construction. The Region 3, ACTE meeting will be in Dubuque, Iowa in June 16th. President Elect Ford reminded us that when you write to your legislator you need to explain your program; the new representatives are not familiar with our programs. The new Legislative Mentoring Program is very vital to our profession. She also commented that MAP testing is required by the federal government to show accountability and that new legislators need to be made aware of this fact. Perkins Funds are in jeopardy under President Bush's new budget plan on the National forum. Our Missouri ACTE membership seems to be down. Last year there were 480 members in MoEFACS. "Building Human Capital" is the focus of education. Mark Sponaule from Missouri ACTE was elected as Region 3 representative.

DESE Update

Debbie Pohl presented information from Dr. Cynthia Arendt. She had handout "Talking Points for Administration's Proposal on Career and Technical Education". President Bush's budget for technical and career education is fraught with danger. It is a block grant system, which traditionally ends up hurting education and it is unclear how the money would be controlled and/or used. Other new news includes Senate bill 337, which is to support the purpose of distributing school funding, it would allow students involved in FFA, FCCLA or 4-H activities to be counted at school for the purpose of funding distribution.

Christine Hollingsworth, State FCCLA advisor reported that the St. Louis cluster meeting was the largest of all the cluster meetings this year. FCCLA Legislative job shadowing will include guest speaker Peggy Quigg. Both the governor and the Lt. Governor will have a student shadowing them as well. March 1st is the deadline for most of the FCCLA awards. There will be 450 participants in State Star Events., We have sold out of our reserved hotel rooms. The conference theme is "In the Zone with FCCLA" we are collaborating with the American Cancer Society this year. A new activity includes T-shirt day with only conference purchased cancer society t-shirts allowed and Carnival Night that will include games with the American Cancer Society. There will be many new fun items in the FCCLA store for students and advisors to purchase. Currently Missouri has 12,813 members and 363 chapters.

National FCCLA Meeting will be held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 3 – 11. Missouri will be staying at the Marriott. Philadelphia is well known for its celebration of Independence Day July 4th and Missouri delegates will be able to take part in this celebration if they arrive on July 3rd or 4th. New to FCCLA is a partnership with Life Smart's an online financial fitness quiz. The top 6 teams will come in for a live conference. The quiz format will be open to all students, not just FCCLA members.

Debbie Pohl reported that there was no new news on curriculum. This year the state staff is looking at priorities for curriculum and updating some of the competency lists.

Janey Miller reported that as part of the Healthy Living Task Force she has noticed that other areas are unaware of what FACS teachers do. FACS teachers need to work on letting the community know what we teach and how we benefit each and every student. CDA training was held in Kansas City yesterday (February 27th). It included head start and post secondary childcare programs as well as occupational and technical schoolteachers. The state department is looking at sharing courses for graduate level FACS to help with the availability of graduate FACS programs. Kelley Ritter has been looking at the need for graduate credit.

Committee Reports

Suzie Dudenhoeffer, secretary presented Committee chairperson Julie Holloway's report for the **Nominating** committee. The committee updated the candidate profile sheet and completed the candidate letter to mail in the following week. The committee continued to make contacts for president-elect and treasurer for 2003-04. Julie Holloway will contact the other committee members to seek donations for their raffle basket.

Committee chairperson Connie Clawson presented the **Public Relations** committee report. The committee is focused on transportation and storage of merchandise for summer conference. They are checking on the cost of a trailer or if anyone with a trailer is available to haul the boxes down to

Springfield. The committee will focus on merchandising in-stock items. The store times for summer in-service are as follows: Tuesday 8:00 am-10:00 am, 4:30 pm-5:30 pm, Wednesday 11:30 am-12:30 pm, and Thursday 9:00 am-10:00 am.

Committee chairperson Mary Beene presented the **Mentor** committee report. The committee decided on member responsibilities before and during the 2003 summer conference. They marked their priorities as: Checklist for "Mentors" (How to Support Mentees), call for Mentors, letter to mentors, labels for mentors and mentees, Information card (personal data) for mentors and mentees, and a get acquainted activity/activities for the luncheon at summer conference.

Committee chairperson Julie Carr presented the **Registration** committee report. The registration form revisions are complete. A checklist for conference will be added to remind members to register for both MoEFACS and ACTE conference. The committee will encourage early registration while the special functions committee is working on incentives. A call for volunteers to help with registration is posted on the list-serve. We have had several replies and many signed up today. At this time it is planned for post cards to be sent as reminders to register early. The registration committee members will email MoEFACS members to remind them to pre-register. One of the registration committee members will also address the new and returning teachers about registration. Member information will be forwarded to Kelley Ritter for the membership information book. The committee will meet before the conference to assemble the registration packets.

Committee member Janice Garges presented the **Awards and Recognition** committee report. The applications for various awards were to be received by February 14, 2003. Due to the absence of members, there will be a phone conference. Jayla will send the committee information concerning past awards. The committee is doing a patriotic basket.

Committee chairperson Kelley Ritter presented the **Membership** committee report. The committee finalized plans for divisional meetings: post-secondary: articulation agreements; supervisors: promoting FACS; teacher education: certification revisions and graduate programs; high school and junior high: personal finance. The committee discussed scholarship needs and requirements. It was decided to offer four \$50 scholarships to 1st time attendees to be selected from pre-registration forms. Names will be randomly selected from the registration form. The committee worked on a rough draft for MoEFACS first-time attendees' article and the dues increase for spring newsletter.

Committee chairperson Susan Faseler presented the **Research and Development** committee report. The committee received a quote to make the Public Service Announcement (P.S.A.s) for \$2.50 each, possibly as low as \$2.00 each. It is estimated the 300 copies will be needed. The committee needs a cover letter from MoEFACS to accompany each C.D. A cover will be designed for holding the CD with our MoEFACS logo. There are still radio stations in areas of the state that need volunteers committed to hand deliver the CDs to the radio stations since mailed CDs are frequently just thrown away without being opened. The timeline is: March – May: reproduce CDs, write cover letter, and design cover; July – distribute at the board meeting on July 21st at 2:00pm. Any radio station not assigned will be announced during the general session during the summer conference so that area FACS teachers can volunteer to hand deliver the CD and cover letter to their local radio station. A booth will be set up in the atrium to distribute the unassigned radio station CDs. The basket is an agricultural Missouri basket featuring Spring Creek and other Missouri-made products.

Committee chairperson Sara Gibb presented the **History** committee report. The committee announced that pictures have been taken of each committee and the officers. These pictures will be used for the display at the Missouri ACTE conference and in the scrapbook. The committee's basket has a "Wine and Roses" theme.

Committee chairperson, Joy Behrens presented the **Legislative** committee report. Karen Mason, Pam Hanabury and Joy Behrens attended Missouri Legislative Day in Jefferson City on February 4th and 5th. Joy Behrens and Pam Hanabury will represent MoEFACS at the National Policy seminar in Washington D.C. on 2003 March 15th through the 18th. Karen Mason will also be in Washington D.C. as the chair of MoACTE policy committee. Pam Hanabury will get items for the "Magical Experience" basket for the conference. Joy will put a note on the list serve to encourage members to contact their Legislator regarding SB337, which includes students in the average daily attendance count while participating in

FCCLA (FFA & 4H) activities. Members are asked to contact Congress regarding the continued funding of Perkins for comprehensive high schools and vo-tech schools.

Committee chairperson Theresa Owsley presented the **Special Functions** committee report. The committee will provide a basket entitled, "The Wellness Basket." The committee proposed for the 2003 Missouri ACTE conference MoEFACS Division Reception that there be a reduction in the variety of food served at the reception. The committee will continue to secure door prizes to encourage pre-registration for the Missouri ACTE conference. Since the State FCCLA officers will be unable to provide the entertainment for the awards luncheon the committee is seeking entertainment for both the luncheon and reception. And the committee will continue to seek donations of cash and food donations for the reception.

Committee member Marcia Northrup presented the **Resolutions and Bylaws** committee report. The committee stated no actions on resolutions or bylaws are needed at this time. The courtesy resolutions will be prepared for summer conference and presented at the Awards Luncheon on July 22, 2003. The committee is looking a possible bylaws change regarding the president's term (3-year commitment) and succession policies if the president cannot fulfill responsibilities (who will step in to complete the term). The committee commented that for a dues increase to be considered it must be published in the spring newsletter for a vote to allow this change at the summer conference in July.

Committee chairperson Ginny Stone presented the **Scholarship** committee report. The committee's basket theme is, "Back to School Supplies." The committee suggested that the scholarship application deadline be moved February 15th, or schedule spring board meeting after the March 1st deadline so that the committee could review the application in person at the spring board meeting. There will be a banner for the basket table stating the purpose of the sale (for PAC funds and scholarship funds). The committee will purchase raffle type tickets for the basket sales.

New Business

Discussion possible bylaw changes to align the MoEFACS chain of command with the Missouri ACTE policies would include a possible bylaws change in which the past-president would assume the duties of president if the current president were unable to fulfill their duties.

"Its About Time" cookbooks will be sold at summer conference. Charlotte Gray will obtain and bring the cookbooks to be sold at the PR booth.

Bonnie Stewart, from IML is undergoing chemotherapy and would enjoy your cards, letters notes. Kelley Ritter will put this on the list serve.

Charlotte Gray announced summer workshops are available from Sullivan University "Skills Workshop" in June 12-15 at Louisville, Kentucky. For more information visit the website www.cafemeetingplace.com.

President Linda Turner encouraged every board member to bring a new MoEFACS member with them to summer conference. There will be an incentive awards drawing for members who bring a new attendee to summer conference.

President Linda Turner adjourned the meeting.